

**Before The
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554**

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| In the Matter of |) | |
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| Rules and Regulations Implementing the |) | CG Docket No. 02-278 |
| Telephone Consumer Protection Act of 1991 |) | |
| |) | CG Docket No. 05-338 |
| Junk Fax Prevention Act of 2005 |) | |
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| Petition to Seek Retroactive Waiver as |) | |
| Granted By the FCC Order on |) | |
| October 30, 2014 |) | |

**PETITION TO SEEK RETROACTIVE WAIVER FOR TEMPORARY RELIEF FROM
PAST REQUIREMENTS OF 47 C.F.R. §64.1200(A)(4)(IV) AS APPLICABLE TO
SOLICITED FAXES**

Pursuant to Section 1.3 of the FCC Rules, ChappellRoberts, Inc. hereby petitions the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") for a retroactive waiver, pursuant to the FCC Order released on October 30, 2014, entitled "Petitions for Declaratory Ruling, Waiver, and/or Rulemaking Regarding the Commission's Opt-Out Requirement for Faxes Sent with the Recipient's Prior Express Permission" ("FCC Order"). As a similarly situated party to the previous petitioners, ChappellRoberts respectfully requests a retroactive waiver for relief from any past obligation to provide the opt-out requirement to certain solicited fax advertisements made with a recipient's prior express permission such as those granted in the FCC Order. The Commission recently granted a number of such waivers and invited similarly situated parties, such as ChappellRoberts, to file requests for the same relief.

I. Introduction

ChappellRoberts, Inc. is an independent third-party advertising company based in Tampa. ChappellRoberts was retained to prepare an advertising campaign promoting Sage's Physician software. ChappellRoberts provided the advertising proposals to its client, who revised and approved same and directed dissemination. Based upon the conflicting statements regarding the scope and applicability of 47 C.F.R. § 64.1200(a)(4)(iv), ChappellRoberts was uncertain as to whether the opt-out notice was required for Solicited Faxes. In an abundance of caution, it included a brief opt-out disclaimer in the fax advertisements at issue, which worked as contemplated by the Commission rule. According to the allegations made by third parties, the facsimile disclaimer included with the advertisement, may have been noncompliant with 47 C.F.R. § 64.1200(a)(4)(iv).

ChappellRoberts is currently a subpoenaed non-party in one of many TCPA class action lawsuits initiated by the named plaintiff and its TCPA attorneys in the Middle District of Florida. See Class Action Compl., *Physicians Healthsource, Inc. v. Greenway Health, LLC et al.*, Case No. 8:14-cv-02593-JSM-AEPI (M.D. Fla. filed October 14, 2014)("Physicians Healthsource Complaint")(attached as Exhibit A). The Complaint alleges that plaintiff and a putative class of other recipients received facsimile advertisements from defendants without a compliant opt-out notice in violation of the TCPA. The Complaint seeks potentially millions of dollars in monetary damages for such violations. The basis for the lawsuit is the TCPA. The plaintiff and defendant dispute whether the faxes at issue in the lawsuit were solicited (i.e. sent with prior express invitation or permission).¹ Upon information and belief, the list of information containing fax

¹¹ See *Physicians Healthsource, Inc. v. Greenway Health, LLC et al.*, Case No. 8:14-cv-02593-JSM-AEP, United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida (filed October 14, 2014).

numbers purchased by ChappellRoberts was a permission opt-in list. ChappellRoberts understood and believed that the purchased list contained the information of recipients who had given prior express invitation or permission to receive advertisements.

Since the adoption of Section 64.1200(a)(4)(iv), plaintiffs and their attorneys have seized on the uncertainty of the Regulation and Commission rule created in part by confusing and conflicting statements regarding the scope and applicability of such rule to Solicited Faxes. Plaintiffs and their attorneys have brought numerous class action lawsuits against legitimate companies for engaging in consensual communications where the fax recipients had provided consent to receive faxes. Many of these class action lawsuits seek millions of dollars in damages based on the Commission's conflicting statements pertaining to the Regulation.

On October 30, 2014, the Commission released FCC Order 14-164 (the "Fax Order"). Prior to the release various petitioners had challenged the Commission's authority to issue the Regulation and alternatively sought retroactive waivers of its opt-out notice requirement for Solicited Faxes. In response to the admitted uncertainty about whether the opt-out notice applied to Solicited Faxes, the Commission granted retroactive waivers to certain fax advertisement senders to provide temporary relief from any past obligation to provide opt-out notices. The waivers granted in the Fax Order apply only to the identified petitioners, and the Commission made clear that other similarly situated parties, like ChappellRoberts, may also seek such waivers. A waiver is thus appropriate here.

II. Background

A. The FCC Order on Junk Fax Prevention Act of 2005

The TCPA, as codified in 47 U.S.C. Section 227 *et seq.*, and amended by the Junk Fax Prevention Act of 2005 (“JFPA”), prohibits, under certain circumstances, the use of a fax machine to send an “unsolicited advertisement.” An “unsolicited advertisement” is “any material advertising the commercial availability or quality of any property, goods or services which is transmitted to any person without that person’s prior express invitation or permission....” The Commission amended the rules concerning fax transmissions to reflect the changes brought about by the JFPA. *See In re Rules and Regulations Implementing the Telephone Consumer Protection Act of 1991*, Junk Fax Prevention Act of 2005, CG Docket Nos. 02-278, 05-338, Report and Order and Third Order on Reconsideration, 21 FCC Rcd. 3787 (2006) (“Junk Fax Order”). Particularly relevant here, the Junk Fax Order adopted a rule stating that a fax advertisement “sent to a recipient that has provided prior express invitation or permission to the sender must include an opt-out notice that complies with the requirements in paragraph (a)(4)(iii) of this section.” 47 C.F.R. § 64.1200(a)(4)(iv). At the same time, the Junk Fax Order explained in a footnote that “the opt-out notice requirement only applies to communications that constitute unsolicited advertisements.” Junk Fax Order, 21 FCC Rcd. at 3810 n.154 (emphasis added).

B. The FCC granted retroactive waivers with relief from any past requirement to have opt-out notices on solicited faxes

After receiving numerous petitions challenging the application of the opt-out notice requirement to solicited faxes, the FCC issued an Order on October 30, 2014. The Commission recognized that the “inconsistent footnote” in the Junk Fax Order “caused confusion or misplaced confidence regarding the applicability of [the opt-out notice] requirement.” October 30 Order at ¶¶ 24, 28. The Commission explained that the footnote “may have caused some parties to misconstrue the Commission’s intent to apply the opt-out notice to fax ads sent with the prior express permission of the recipient.” *Id.* ¶ 24.

The FCC found that granting a retroactive waiver would serve the public interest, and “the TCPA’s legislative history makes clear our responsibility to balance legitimate business and consumer interests.” *Id.* at ¶27.

Thus, the FCC ruled:

the waiver granted herein applies only to the petitioners insofar as they may have failed to comply with section 64.1200(a)(4)(iv) prior to six months from the release date of this Order. As a result, the waiver granted herein shall not apply to such conduct that occurs more than six months after the release date of this Order nor shall it apply to any situation other than where the fax sender had obtained the prior express invitation or permission of the recipient to receive the fax advertisement. We direct the Bureau to conduct outreach to inform potential senders of our reconfirmed requirement to include an opt-out on faxes ... Other, similarly situated parties, may also seek waivers such as those granted in this Order.

Id. at ¶¶ 29-30.

Therefore, the FCC provided a waiver to those who failed to include the opt-out language in fax advertisements sent with the prior express consent of the recipient prior to the Order and have six months to fully comply, until April 30, 2014. Those individuals cannot be liable for not including the opt-out language during that designated time period. The FCC will also allow other similarly situated parties to seek retroactive waivers until April 30, 2015.

III. The Commission should similarly grant ChappellRoberts a retroactive waiver with temporary relief from any past requirement to have opt-out notices on solicited faxes

Under section 1.3 of the Commission’s rules, the Commission may suspend, revoke, amend, or waive any of its rules at any time “for good cause shown.” 47 C.F.R. § 1.3; *see Nat’l Ass’n of Broadcasters v. FCC*, 569 F.3d 416, 426 (D.C. Cir. 2009). In addition to a showing of “good cause,” waiver also requires that the Commission find that a waiver would be in the public

interest. *See* October 30 Order at ¶ 23; *AT&T Corp. v. FCC*, 448 F.3d 426, 433 (D.C. Cir. 2006). As the Commission already found in its October 30 Order, both of these requirements are satisfied in the context of the rule applying the opt-out notice requirement to solicited faxes. *See* October 30 Order at ¶¶ 26-27.

As the FCC stated in its Order, “other, similarly situated parties, may also seek waivers such as those granted in this Order.” *Id.* at ¶ 30. Chappell is similarly situated to the parties that were granted retroactive waivers by the FCC Order because it sent certain faxes that were solicited or sent with prior express consent of the recipients, but without the opt-out language as required by 47 U.S.C. § 64.1200(a)(4)(iv). As with the parties that were granted waivers by the FCC Order, ChappellRoberts is potentially subject to substantial liability as well as the costs of litigation. ChappellRoberts was recently subpoenaed by plaintiffs in a TCPA class action lawsuit. *See* FN 1. The complaint alleges that plaintiff and the putative class members received facsimile advertisements relating to Sage’s Doctor Software without an opt-out notice in violation of the TCPA. The complaint seeks potentially millions of dollars in monetary damages for such violation. ChappellRoberts faces possible exposure as the entity who sent the allegedly violative faxes, and as a result is in a similar position as the petitioners in the October 30 Order.

As the Commission has already held, good cause exists for a waiver in these circumstances because the contradictory footnote in the Junk Fax Order reasonably caused confusion about whether the opt-out notice requirement applied to solicited faxes. Similarly, subjecting ChappellRoberts to substantial monetary damages for acting consistent with the Junk Fax Order footnote would not serve the public interest. *See* October 30 Order at ¶ 27. The TCPA and the Commission’s implementing rules are generally intended “to allow consumers to stop unwanted faxes.” Junk Fax Order, 21 FCC Rcd. at 3812. But that purpose would not be served

by imposing potentially massive penalties on a company like ChappellRoberts for sending faxes where the recipients had given their express permission. And that is especially the case where there was confusion surrounding the applicability of the rule requiring that opt out language. Indeed, because the Commission has already granted retroactive waivers to some petitioners who are situated similarly to ChappellRoberts, denying a waiver here would be all the more “unjust or inequitable.” October 30 Order at ¶ 28. While ChappellRoberts strives to maintain the highest standards of customer service and compliance with state and federal law, including those who gave prior express consent to receive faxes from the company, it respectfully requests a retroactive waiver as to its past actions.

IV. Requested Relief

ChappellRoberts requests a waiver specifically for the faxes attached hereto as Exhibit A as it relates to the Physicians Healthsource Complaint. ChappellRoberts also seeks a waiver for all similarly sent faxes transmitted on November 3, 2011, and November 8, 2011, containing similar fax language for different advertising campaigns. The relief sought for all similarly sent faxes transmitted in November 2011 is necessary as ChappellRoberts designed five different marketing campaigns for the Defendant in *Physicians Healthsource, Inc. v. Greenway Health, LLC et al.*, Case No. 8:14-cv-02593-JSM-AEP, and could be subjected to liability in numerous lawsuits without such waiver.

V. Conclusion

ChappellRoberts finds itself in the same position as those who previously were granted a retroactive waiver of the opt-out notice requirement as applied to solicited faxes. Specifically, it faces a potential lawsuit that seeks substantial damages for alleged violations of a rule that the Commission has already recognized created “confusion [and] misplaced confidence.” October 30

Order at ¶ 27. Applying the opt-out notice requirement to solicited faxes under these circumstances would do more harm than good, while granting a retroactive waiver to prevent the imposition of statutory fines for inadvertent violations would “serve[] the public interest.” Id. ChappellRoberts therefore requests that the Commission grant it the same retroactive waiver of Section 64.1200(a)(4)(iv) that has already been granted to similarly situated parties.

Respectfully Submitted,

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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA DIVISION**

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| PHYSICIANS HEALTHSOURCE, INC., |) | |
| an Ohio corporation, individually and as the |) | |
| representative of a class of similarly- |) | |
| situated persons, |) | |
| |) | Civil Action No.: |
| Plaintiff, |) | |
| |) | CLASS ACTION |
| v. |) | |
| |) | |
| GREENWAY HEALTH, LLC f/k/a SAGE |) | |
| SOFTWARE HEALTHCARE a/k/a |) | |
| VITERA HEALTHCARE SOLUTIONS |) | |
| and JOHN DOES 1-10, |) | |
| |) | |
| Defendants. |) | |

CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT

Plaintiff, PHYSICIANS HEALTHSOURCE, INC., ("Plaintiff"), brings this action on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, through its attorneys, and except as to those allegations pertaining to Plaintiff or its attorneys, which allegations are based upon personal knowledge, alleges the following upon information and belief against Defendants, GREENWAY HEALTH, LLC f/k/a SAGE SOFTWARE HEALTHCARE a/k/a VITERA HEALTHCARE SOLUTIONS and JOHN DOES 1-10 ("Defendants"):

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

1. This case challenges Defendants' practice of sending unsolicited facsimiles.
2. The federal Telephone Consumer Protection Act of 1991, as amended by the Junk Fax Prevention Act of 2005, 47 USC § 227 ("JFPA" or the "Act"), and the regulations promulgated under the Act, prohibit a person or entity from faxing or having an agent fax

Exhibit A

advertisements without the recipient's prior express invitation or permission. The JFPA provides a private right of action and provides statutory damages of \$500 per violation. Upon information and belief, Defendants have sent facsimile transmissions of unsolicited advertisements to Plaintiff and the Class in violation of the JFPA, including, but not limited to, the facsimile transmissions of two unsolicited advertisements on or about November 4, 2011 and November 9, 2011 ("the Faxes"), true and correct copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit A, and made a part hereof. The Faxes describe the commercial availability of Defendants' goods and services. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and upon such information and belief avers, that Defendants have sent, and continue to send, unsolicited advertisements via facsimile transmission in violation of the JFPA.

3. Unsolicited faxes damage their recipients. A junk fax recipient loses the use of its fax machine, paper, and ink toner. An unsolicited fax wastes the recipient's valuable time that would have been spent on something else. A junk fax interrupts the recipient's privacy. Unsolicited faxes prevent fax machines from receiving authorized faxes, prevent their use for authorized outgoing faxes, cause undue wear and tear on the recipients' fax machines, and require additional labor to attempt to discern the source and purpose of the unsolicited message.

4. On behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, Plaintiff brings this case as a class action asserting claims against Defendants under the JFPA.

5. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and upon such information and belief avers, that this action is based upon a common nucleus of operative facts because the facsimile transmissions at issue were and are being done in the same or similar manner. This action is

based on the same legal theory, namely liability under the JFPA. This action seeks relief expressly authorized by the JFPA: (i) injunctive relief enjoining Defendants, their employees, agents, representatives, contractors, affiliates, and all persons and entities acting in concert with them, from sending unsolicited advertisements in violation of the JFPA; and (ii) an award of statutory damages in the minimum amount of \$500 for each violation of the JFPA, and to have such damages trebled, as provided by § 227(b)(3) of the Act.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

6. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1331 and 47 U.S.C. § 227.

7. This court has personal jurisdiction over Defendants because Defendants transact business within this judicial district, have made contacts within this judicial district, and/or have committed tortious acts within this judicial district.

PARTIES

8. Plaintiff, PHYSICIANS HEALTHSOURCE, INC., is an Ohio corporation.

9. On information and belief, Defendant, GREENWAY HEALTH, LLC, is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business in Tampa, FL, and was formerly known as SAGE SOFTWARE HEALTHCARE. GREENWAY HEALTH, LLC is also currently known as VITERA HEALTHCARE SOLUTIONS.

10. John Does 1-10 will be identified through discovery, but are not presently known.

FACTS

11. On information and belief, on or about November 4, 2011 and November 9, 2011, Defendants transmitted by telephone facsimile machine two facsimiles to Plaintiff. Copies of the two facsimiles are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

12. Defendants created or made Exhibit A, which Defendants knew or should have known is a good or product which Defendants intended to and did in fact distribute to Plaintiff and the other members of the class.

13. Exhibit A is part of Defendants' work or operations to market Defendants' goods or services which were performed by Defendants and on behalf of Defendants. Therefore, Exhibit A constitutes material furnished in connection with Defendants' work or operations.

14. Plaintiff had not invited or given permission to Defendants to send the faxes.

15. On information and belief, Defendants faxed the same and other unsolicited facsimiles without the required opt out language to Plaintiff and more than 25 other recipients without first receiving the recipients' express permission or invitation.

16. There is no reasonable means for Plaintiff (or any other class member) to avoid receiving unauthorized faxes. Fax machines are left on and ready to receive the urgent communications their owners desire to receive.

17. Defendants' facsimile did not display a proper opt-out notice as required by 47 C.F.R. § 64.1200.

CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS

18. In accordance with F. R. Civ. P. 23(b)(1), (b)(2) and (b)(3), Plaintiff brings this class action pursuant to the JFPA, on behalf of the following class of persons:

All persons who (1) on or after four years prior to the filing of this action, (2) were sent telephone facsimile messages of material advertising the commercial availability of any property, goods, or services by or on behalf of Defendants, and (3) which did not display a proper opt-out notice.

Excluded from the Class are the Defendants, their employees, agents and members of the Judiciary. Plaintiff reserves the right to amend the class definition upon completion of class certification discovery.

19. Class Size (F. R. Civ. P. 23(a)(1)): Plaintiff is informed and believes, and upon such information and belief avers, that the number of persons and entities of the Plaintiff Class is numerous and joinder of all members is impracticable. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and upon such information and belief avers, that the number of class members is at least forty.

20. Commonality (F. R. Civ. P. 23 (a) (2)): Common questions of law and fact apply to the claims of all class members. Common material questions of fact and law include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a) Whether the Defendants sent unsolicited fax advertisements;
- b) Whether the Defendants' faxes advertised the commercial availability of property, goods, or services;
- c) The manner and method the Defendants used to compile or obtain the list of fax numbers to which they sent Exhibit A and other unsolicited faxed advertisements;
- d) Whether the Defendants faxed advertisements without first obtaining the recipient's prior permission or invitation;
- e) Whether the Defendants sent the faxed advertisements knowingly;
- f) Whether the Defendants violated the provisions of 47 U.S.C. § 227 and the regulations promulgated thereunder;
- g) Whether the faxes contain an "opt-out notice" that complies with the requirements of § (b)(1)(C)(iii) of the Act, and the regulations promulgated thereunder, and the effect of the failure to comply with such requirements;

h) Whether the Defendants should be enjoined from faxing advertisements in the future;

i) Whether the Plaintiff and the other members of the class are entitled to statutory damages; and

j) Whether the Court should award treble damages.

21. Typicality (F. R. Civ. P. 23 (a) (3)): The Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of all class members. The Plaintiff received the same faxes as the faxes sent by or on behalf of the Defendants advertising goods and services of the Defendants during the Class Period. The Plaintiff is making the same claims and seeking the same relief for itself and all class members based upon the same federal statute. The Defendants have acted in the same or in a similar manner with respect to the Plaintiff and all the class members by sending Plaintiff and each member of the class the same faxes.

22. Fair and Adequate Representation (F. R. Civ. P. 23 (a) (4)): The Plaintiff will fairly and adequately represent and protect the interests of the class. It is interested in this matter, has no conflicts and has retained experienced class counsel to represent the class.

23. Need for Consistent Standards and Practical Effect of Adjudication (F. R. Civ. P. 23 (b) (1)): Class certification is appropriate because the prosecution of individual actions by class members would: (a) create the risk of inconsistent adjudications that could establish incompatible standards of conduct for the Defendants, and/or (b) as a practical matter, adjudication of the Plaintiff's claims will be dispositive of the interests of class members who are not parties.

24. Common Conduct (F. R. Civ. P. 23 (b) (2)): Class certification is also appropriate because the Defendants have acted and refused to act in the same or similar manner with respect

to all class members thereby making injunctive and declaratory relief appropriate. The Plaintiff demands such relief as authorized by 47 U.S.C. §227.

25. Predominance and Superiority (F. R. Civ. P. 23 (b) (3)): Common questions of law and fact predominate over any questions affecting only individual members, and a class action is superior to other methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of the controversy because:

- a) Proof of the claims of the Plaintiff will also prove the claims of the class without the need for separate or individualized proceedings;
- b) Evidence regarding defenses or any exceptions to liability that the Defendants may assert and attempt to prove will come from the Defendants' records and will not require individualized or separate inquiries or proceedings;
- c) The Defendants have acted and are continuing to act pursuant to common policies or practices in the same or similar manner with respect to all class members;
- d) The amount likely to be recovered by individual class members does not support individual litigation. A class action will permit a large number of relatively small claims involving virtually identical facts and legal issues to be resolved efficiently in one (1) proceeding based upon common proofs; and
- e) This case is inherently manageable as a class action in that:
 - (i) The Defendants identified persons or entities to receive the fax transmissions and it is believed that the Defendants' computer and business records will enable the Plaintiff to readily identify class members and establish liability and damages;

(ii) Liability and damages can be established for the Plaintiff and the class with the same common proofs;

(iii) Statutory damages are provided for in the statute and are the same for all class members and can be calculated in the same or a similar manner;

(iv) A class action will result in an orderly and expeditious administration of claims and it will foster economics of time, effort and expense;

(v) A class action will contribute to uniformity of decisions concerning the Defendants' practices; and

(vi) As a practical matter, the claims of the class are likely to go unaddressed absent class certification.

Claim for Relief for Violation of the JFPA, 47 U.S.C. § 227 *et seq.*

26. The JFPA makes it unlawful for any person to "use any telephone facsimile machine, computer or other device to send, to a telephone facsimile machine, an unsolicited advertisement" 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(1)(C).

27. The JFPA defines "unsolicited advertisement" as "any material advertising the commercial availability or quality of any property, goods, or services which is transmitted to any person without that person's prior express invitation or permission, in writing or otherwise." 47 U.S.C. § 227 (a) (5).

28. **Opt-Out Notice Requirements.** The JFPA strengthened the prohibitions against the sending of unsolicited advertisements by requiring, in § (b)(1)(C)(iii) of the Act, that senders of faxed advertisements place a clear and conspicuous notice on the first page of the transmission that contains the following among other things (hereinafter collectively the "Opt-Out Notice Requirements"):

1. a statement that the recipient is legally entitled to opt-out of receiving future faxed advertisements – knowing that he or she has the legal right to request an opt-out gives impetus for recipients to make such a request, if desired;
2. a statement that the sender must honor a recipient's opt-out request within 30 days and the sender's failure to do so is unlawful – thereby encouraging recipients to opt-out, if they did not want future faxes, by advising them that their opt-out requests will have legal "teeth";
3. a statement advising the recipient that he or she may opt-out with respect to all of his or her facsimile telephone numbers and not just the ones that receive a faxed advertisement from the sender – thereby instructing a recipient on how to make a valid opt-out request for all of his or her fax machines.

The requirement of (1) above is incorporated from § (b)(D)(ii) of the Act. The requirement of (2) above is incorporated from § (b)(D)(ii) of the Act and the rules and regulations of the Federal Communications Commission (the "FCC") in ¶ 31 of its 2006 Report and Order (*In the Matter of Rules and Regulations Implementing the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, Junk Prevention Act of 2005*, 21 F.C.C.R. 3787, 2006 WL 901720, which rules and regulations took effect on August 1, 2006). The requirements of (3) above are contained in § (b)(2)(E) of the Act and incorporated into the Opt-Out Notice Requirements via § (b)(2)(D)(ii). Compliance with the Opt-Out Notice Requirements is neither difficult nor costly. The Opt-Out Notice Requirements are important consumer protections bestowed by Congress upon the owners of the telephone lines and fax machines giving them the right, and means, to stop unwanted faxed advertisements.

29. **2006 FCC Report and Order.** The JFPA, in § (b)(2) of the Act, directed the FCC to implement regulations regarding the JFPA, including the JFPA's Opt-Out Notice Requirements and the FCC did so in its 2006 Report and Order, which in addition provides among other things:

A. The definition of, and the requirements for, an established business relationship for purposes of the first of the three prongs of an exemption to liability under § (b)(1)(C)(i) of the Act and provides that the lack of an "established business relationship" precludes the ability to invoke the exemption contained in § (b)(1)(C) of the Act (*See* 2006 Report and Order ¶¶ 8-12 and 17-20);

B. The required means by which a recipient's facsimile telephone number must be obtained for purposes of the second of the three prongs of the exemption under § (b)(1)(C)(ii) of the Act and provides that the failure to comply with these requirements precludes the ability to invoke the exemption contained in § (b)(1)(C) of the Act (*See* 2006 Report and Order ¶¶ 13-16);

C. The things that must be done in order to comply with the Opt-Out Notice Requirements for the purposes of the third of the three prongs of the exemption under § (b)(1)(C)(iii) of the Act and provides that the failure to comply with these requirements precludes the ability to invoke the exemption contained in § (b)(1)(C) of the Act (*See* 2006 Report and Order ¶¶ 24-34);

D. The failure of a sender to comply with the Opt-Out Notice Requirements precludes the sender from claiming that a recipient gave "prior express permission or invitation" to receive the sender's fax (*See* Report and Order ¶ 48);

As a result thereof, a sender of a faxed advertisement who fails to comply with the Opt-

Out Notice Requirements has, by definition, transmitted an unsolicited advertisement under the JFPA. This is because such a sender can neither claim that the recipients of the faxed advertisement gave "prior express permission or invitation" to receive the fax nor can the sender claim the exemption from liability contained in § (b)(C)(1) of the Act.

30. **The Faxes.** Defendants sent the on or about November 4, 2011 and November 9, 2011, advertisements via facsimile transmission from telephone facsimile machines, computers, or other devices to the telephone lines and facsimile machines of Plaintiff and members of the Plaintiff Class. The Faxes constituted advertisements under the Act. Defendants failed to comply with the Opt-Out Requirements in connection with the Faxes. The Faxes were transmitted to persons or entities without their prior express permission or invitation and/or Defendants are precluded from asserting any prior express permission or invitation because of the failure to comply with the Opt-Out Notice Requirements. By virtue thereof, Defendants violated the JFPA and the regulations promulgated thereunder by sending the Faxes via facsimile transmission to Plaintiff and members of the Class.

31. **Defendants' Other Violations.** Plaintiff is informed and believes, and upon such information and belief avers, that during the period preceding four years of the filing of this Complaint and repeatedly thereafter, Defendants have sent via facsimile transmission from telephone facsimile machines, computers, or other devices to telephone facsimile machines of members of the Plaintiff Class faxes that constitute advertisements under the JFPA that were transmitted to persons or entities without their prior express permission or invitation (and/or that Defendants are precluded from asserting any prior express permission or invitation because of the failure to comply with the Opt-Out Notice Requirements in connection with such transmissions). By virtue thereof, Defendants violated the JFPA and the regulations promulgated

thereunder. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and upon such information and belief avers, that Defendants may be continuing to send unsolicited advertisements via facsimile transmission in violation of the JFPA and the regulations promulgated thereunder, and absent intervention by this Court, will do so in the future.

32. The TCPA/JFPA provides a private right of action to bring this action on behalf of Plaintiff and the Plaintiff Class to redress Defendants' violations of the Act, and provides for statutory damages. 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3). The Act also provides that injunctive relief is appropriate. *Id.*

33. The JFPA is a strict liability statute, so the Defendants are liable to the Plaintiff and the other class members even if their actions were only negligent.

34. The Defendants knew or should have known that (a) the Plaintiff and the other class members had not given express invitation or permission for the Defendants or anybody else to fax advertisements about the Defendants' goods or services; (b) the Plaintiff and the other class members did not have an established business relationship; (c) Defendants transmitted advertisements; (d) the Faxes did not contain the required Opt-Out Notice; and (e) Defendants' transmission of advertisements that did not contain the required opt-out notice was unlawful.

35. The Defendants' actions caused damages to the Plaintiff and the other class members. Receiving the Defendants' junk faxes caused the recipients to lose paper and toner consumed in the printing of the Defendants' faxes. Moreover, the Defendants' faxes used the Plaintiff's and the other class members' telephone lines and fax machine. The Defendants' faxes cost the Plaintiff and the other class members time, as the Plaintiff and the other class members and their employees wasted their time receiving, reviewing and routing the Defendants' unauthorized faxes. That time otherwise would have been spent on the Plaintiff's and the other

class members' business activities. The Defendants' faxes unlawfully interrupted the Plaintiff's and other class members' privacy interests in being left alone. Finally, the injury and property damage sustained by Plaintiff and the other class members from the sending of Defendants' advertisements occurred outside of Defendants' premises.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, PHYSICIANS HEALTHSOURCE, INC., individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated, demands judgment in its favor and against Defendants, GREENWAY HEALTH, LLC f/k/a SAGE SOFTWARE HEALTHCARE a/k/a VITERA HEALTHCARE SOLUTIONS and JOHN DOES 1-10, jointly and severally, as follows:

- A. That the Court adjudge and decree that the present case may be properly maintained as a class action, appoint the Plaintiff as the representative of the class, and appoint the Plaintiff's counsel as counsel for the class;
- B. That the Court award actual monetary loss from such violations or the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each violation, whichever is greater;
- C. That Court enjoin the Defendants from additional violations; and
- D. That the Court award pre-judgment interest, costs, and such further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

PHYSICIANS HEALTHCARE, INC.,
individually and as the representative of a class of
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CIVIL COVER SHEET

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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

Physicians Healthsource, Inc., an Ohio corporation, individually and as the representative of a class of similarly-situated persons

(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff Foreign
(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)

(c) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number)
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DEFENDANTS

Greenway Health, LLC f/k/a Sage Software Healthcare a/k/a Vitara Healthcare Solutions and John Does 1-10

County of Residence of First Listed Defendant Hillsborough
(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED.

Attorneys (If Known)

II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

- ☐ 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff
- ☒ 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)
- ☐ 2 U.S. Government Defendant
- ☐ 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant)

- | | PTF | DEF | | PTF | DEF |
|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Citizen of This State | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | Incorporated or Principal Place of Business in This State | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 |
| Citizen of Another State | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | Incorporated and Principal Place of Business in Another State | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | Foreign Nation | <input type="checkbox"/> 6 | <input type="checkbox"/> 6 |

IV. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 110 Insurance <input type="checkbox"/> 120 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 130 Miller Act <input type="checkbox"/> 140 Negotiable Instrument <input type="checkbox"/> 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment <input type="checkbox"/> 151 Medicare Act <input type="checkbox"/> 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excludes Veterans) <input type="checkbox"/> 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits <input type="checkbox"/> 160 Stockholders' Suits <input type="checkbox"/> 190 Other Contract <input type="checkbox"/> 195 Contract Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 196 Franchise | PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 310 Airplane <input type="checkbox"/> 315 Airplane Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 320 Assault, Libel & Slander <input type="checkbox"/> 330 Federal Employers' Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 340 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 345 Marine Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 350 Motor Vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 360 Other Personal Injury <input type="checkbox"/> 362 Personal Injury - Medical Malpractice | PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 365 Personal Injury - Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 367 Health Care/Pharmaceutical Personal Injury Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability PERSONAL PROPERTY <input type="checkbox"/> 370 Other Fraud <input type="checkbox"/> 371 Truth in Lending <input type="checkbox"/> 380 Other Personal Property Damage <input type="checkbox"/> 385 Property Damage Product Liability | <input type="checkbox"/> 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881 <input type="checkbox"/> 690 Other | <input type="checkbox"/> 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 <input type="checkbox"/> 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157 PROFESSIONAL RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 820 Copyrights <input type="checkbox"/> 830 Patent <input type="checkbox"/> 840 Trademark | <input type="checkbox"/> 375 False Claims Act <input type="checkbox"/> 400 State Reapportionment <input type="checkbox"/> 410 Antitrust <input type="checkbox"/> 430 Banks and Banking <input type="checkbox"/> 450 Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> 460 Deportation <input type="checkbox"/> 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations <input type="checkbox"/> 480 Consumer Credit <input type="checkbox"/> 490 Cable/Sat TV <input type="checkbox"/> 850 Securities/Commodities/Exchange <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 890 Other Statutory Actions <input type="checkbox"/> 891 Agricultural Acts <input type="checkbox"/> 893 Environmental Matters <input type="checkbox"/> 895 Freedom of Information Act <input type="checkbox"/> 896 Arbitration <input type="checkbox"/> 899 Administrative Procedure Act/Review or Appeal of Agency Decision <input type="checkbox"/> 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 210 Land Condemnation <input type="checkbox"/> 220 Foreclosure <input type="checkbox"/> 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment <input type="checkbox"/> 240 Torts to Land <input type="checkbox"/> 245 Tort Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 290 All Other Real Property | CIVIL RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 440 Other Civil Rights <input type="checkbox"/> 441 Voting <input type="checkbox"/> 442 Employment <input type="checkbox"/> 443 Housing/Accommodations <input type="checkbox"/> 445 Amer. w/Disabilities - Employment <input type="checkbox"/> 446 Amer. w/Disabilities - Other <input type="checkbox"/> 448 Education | PRISONER PETITIONS Habeas Corpus: <input type="checkbox"/> 463 Alien Detainee <input type="checkbox"/> 510 Motions to Vacate Sentence <input type="checkbox"/> 530 General <input type="checkbox"/> 535 Death Penalty Other: <input type="checkbox"/> 540 Mandamus & Other <input type="checkbox"/> 550 Civil Rights <input type="checkbox"/> 555 Prison Condition <input type="checkbox"/> 560 Civil Detainee - Conditions of Confinement | <input type="checkbox"/> 710 Fair Labor Standards Act <input type="checkbox"/> 720 Labor/Management Relations <input type="checkbox"/> 740 Railway Labor Act <input type="checkbox"/> 751 Family and Medical Leave Act <input type="checkbox"/> 790 Other Labor Litigation <input type="checkbox"/> 791 Employee Retirement Income Security Act | SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY <input type="checkbox"/> 861 HIA (1395ff) <input type="checkbox"/> 862 Black Lung (923) <input type="checkbox"/> 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) <input type="checkbox"/> 864 SSID Title XVI <input type="checkbox"/> 865 RSI (405(g)) | |
| | | | IMMIGRATION <input type="checkbox"/> 462 Naturalization Application <input type="checkbox"/> 465 Other Immigration Actions | FEDERAL TAX SUITS <input type="checkbox"/> 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant) <input type="checkbox"/> 871 IRS—Third Party 26 USC 7609 | |

V. ORIGIN (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

- ☒ 1 Original Proceeding
- ☐ 2 Removed from State Court
- ☐ 3 Remanded from Appellate Court
- ☐ 4 Reinstated or Reopened
- ☐ 5 Transferred from Another District (specify)
- ☐ 6 Multidistrict Litigation

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION

Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing (Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity):
47 U.S.C Section 227

Brief description of cause:
Violation of the Telephone Consumer Protection Act

VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:

☒ CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER RULE 23, F.R.Cv.P.

DEMAND \$

CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:

JURY DEMAND: ☐ Yes ☒ No

VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY

(See instructions):

JUDGE

DOCKET NUMBER

DATE
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SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD
s/ Ryan M. Kelly FL Bar. 90110

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTORNEYS COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET FORM JS 44

Authority For Civil Cover Sheet

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- I.(a) **Plaintiffs-Defendants.** Enter names (last, first, middle initial) of plaintiff and defendant. If the plaintiff or defendant is a government agency, use only the full name or standard abbreviations. If the plaintiff or defendant is an official within a government agency, identify first the agency and then the official, giving both name and title.
- (b) **County of Residence.** For each civil case filed, except U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county where the first listed plaintiff resides at the time of filing. In U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county in which the first listed defendant resides at the time of filing. (NOTE: In land condemnation cases, the county of residence of the "defendant" is the location of the tract of land involved.)
- (c) **Attorneys.** Enter the firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record. If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section "(see attachment)".
- II. **Jurisdiction.** The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Rule 8(a), F.R.Cv.P., which requires that jurisdictions be shown in pleadings. Place an "X" in one of the boxes. If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below. .
United States plaintiff. (1) Jurisdiction based on 28 U.S.C. 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States are included here.
United States defendant. (2) When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box.
Federal question. (3) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1331, where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment to the Constitution, an act of Congress or a treaty of the United States. In cases where the U.S. is a party, the U.S. plaintiff or defendant code takes precedence, and box 1 or 2 should be marked.
Diversity of citizenship. (4) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1332, where parties are citizens of different states. When Box 4 is checked, the citizenship of the different parties must be checked. (See Section III below; NOTE: federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.)
- III. **Residence (citizenship) of Principal Parties.** This section of the JS 44 is to be completed if diversity of citizenship was indicated above. Mark this section for each principal party.
- IV. **Nature of Suit.** Place an "X" in the appropriate box. If the nature of suit cannot be determined, be sure the cause of action, in Section VI below, is sufficient to enable the deputy clerk or the statistical clerk(s) in the Administrative Office to determine the nature of suit. If the cause fits more than one nature of suit, select the most definitive.
- V. **Origin.** Place an "X" in one of the six boxes.
Original Proceedings. (1) Cases which originate in the United States district courts.
Removed from State Court. (2) Proceedings initiated in state courts may be removed to the district courts under Title 28 U.S.C., Section 1441. When the petition for removal is granted, check this box.
Remanded from Appellate Court. (3) Check this box for cases remanded to the district court for further action. Use the date of remand as the filing date.
Reinstated or Reopened. (4) Check this box for cases reinstated or reopened in the district court. Use the reopening date as the filing date.
Transferred from Another District. (5) For cases transferred under Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1404(a). Do not use this for within district transfers or multidistrict litigation transfers.
Multidistrict Litigation. (6) Check this box when a multidistrict case is transferred into the district under authority of Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1407. When this box is checked, do not check (5) above.
- VI. **Cause of Action.** Report the civil statute directly related to the cause of action and give a brief description of the cause. **Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity.** Example: U.S. Civil Statute: 47 USC 553 Brief Description: Unauthorized reception of cable service
- VII. **Requested in Complaint.** Class Action. Place an "X" in this box if you are filing a class action under Rule 23, F.R.Cv.P.
Demand. In this space enter the actual dollar amount being demanded or indicate other demand, such as a preliminary injunction.
Jury Demand. Check the appropriate box to indicate whether or not a jury is being demanded.
- VIII. **Related Cases.** This section of the JS 44 is used to reference related pending cases, if any. If there are related pending cases, insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judge names for such cases.

Date and Attorney Signature. Date and sign the civil cover sheet.